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**REMARKS**

Applicant has canceled all rejected claims, leaving only allowed claims 11-13 in the application. Accordingly, a Notice of Allowance should be issued forthwith. The cancellation of claims 1, 4, 5, and 7-10 is made without prejudice or disclaimer, leaving open the possibility of pursuit of those claims in a continuation application or in an RCE.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicant hereby requests any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

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